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To: BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Members and Invited Participants

From: Roberta Borgonovo, Chair *With for*

Subject: BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Work Group

The next meeting of the BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Work Group will be held on **Wednesday, March 4, 1998 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room 1118-30, Legal Conference Room, of the Resources Building, at 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA.** Please note that the meeting has been changed from Tuesday to Wednesday. An agenda for the meeting is attached (Attachment 1). A summary from the January 13 Work Group meeting will be available at the meeting.

The primary objective of the meeting will be to review and discuss the Strategic Plan for the Ecosystem Restoration Program. Attached is the introduction to the Strategic Plan entitled "Developing a Strategic Plan for Ecosystem Restoration (Attachment 2). Please be prepared to offer suggestions for improvement or clarification. The introduction will be sent to the full BDAC in March.

We would also like your input at this meeting to develop the second tier of the Ecosystem Science Program, a standing science body of experts and scientists with expertise in Bay-Delta ecosystem restoration issues. The experts would serve on an as needed basis to help the Strategic Plan drafting team (Core Team) and ERPP staff address complex scientific issues, review and comment on staff work, and participate in focused, technical workshops. We look forward to your recommendations on the organization, function and scope of the body, criteria for selection of the technical experts, and potential candidates. A proposal for the standing science body is attached (Attachment 3).

In addition, there will be an update on the Conservation Strategy and a discussion on conceptual models. A brief description of conceptual models is attached for your review. (Attachment 4).

We look forward to your participation at the next meeting.

Attachments

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California The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
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